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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q76242

Kenji MATSUMOTO, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/603,078

Group Art Unit: 2874

Confirmation No.: 1880

Examiner: M. R. CONNELLY CUSHWA

Filed: June 25, 2003

For: TRANSMISSION APPARATUS USING A PLASTIC FIBER

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of two months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of August 1, 2005 to January 3, 2006 (January 1, 2006 falling on a Saturday and January 2, 2006 being a holiday).

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge the statutory fee of \$450.00 and/or all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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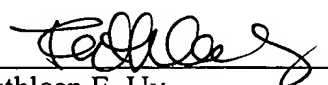
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